

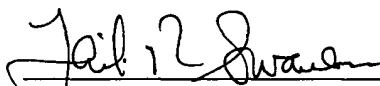
REMARKS

The specification fully supports the foregoing claim amendments, which do not add any new matter to the present continuation of the parent application noted above. In view of the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance in the parent application, the Applicant believes the present claims are patentably distinct from the prior art and in condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully requests allowance of all pending claims

If the Examiner believes certain amendments are necessary to clarify the present claims or if the Examiner wishes to resolve any other issues by way of a telephone conference, the Examiner is kindly invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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